

CITY OF SAN JOSÉ
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

6:00 P.M., Monday, June 9, 2008

City Hall, 200 E. Santa Clara St, 8th Fl, Room T847

San José, CA 95113

MINUTES

1. **Call To Order** – The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

Present

Charlie Payne, Chair

Corinne Winter, Vice Chair

Donald Barnett

Marylou Avanzino

Yolanda Reynolds

Jill Escher

Jim Bell

Lawrence DeSantis

Arye Green (for Bob Halem)

Absent

Lane Parker

Council Liaison

Councilmember Pierluigi Oliverio

City Staff

Frances Reyes, Council District 6

John Brazil, DOT

Guests

Jon Graff

Richard Silva

Tom Sawyer

2. **Approve Order of Business** – Approved.

3. **Oral Petitions** – None.

4. **Approve Minutes of April 14, 2008** – Avanzino moved approval; Reynolds seconded. Winter said she had abstained from the vote to approve the February 11, 2008 minutes. The motion passed 8-0-1 (Reynolds abstained).

5. **Old Business**

a. Ped & ADA Sidewalk Master Plan Updates – These updates are nearly complete and are scheduled to go to City Council this fall.

b. Wrong Way Signage Pilot Project – The pilot project will be implemented in FY08-09 on sections of the following three streets: Brokaw Road, Ocala Road, and San Fernando Street. Staff needs volunteers to help with before and after counts.

c. Bike Friendly Signal Detection Pilot Project – The pilot project will be implemented in FY08-09. Last fall, the Governor signed Assembly Bill 1581 requiring bike friendly signal

detection at all new and modified signals. Caltrans is currently developing standards for implementation. These standards will help San Jose implement this pilot project.

d. Bike Lane Projects – Council is tentatively scheduled to consider approval of the annual bike lane memo at its June 24, 2008 Council meeting. This memo recommends approval of the six bike lane projects the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) recommended for implementation. Once the agenda item is officially posted, staff will inform BPAC members.

e. VTA BPAC Update – No new information.

6. New Business

a. Annual BPAC Priorities – BPAC generally creates an annual work plan and establishes priorities at its first meeting of the fiscal year. That meeting takes place in July each year. At its May meeting, BPAC suggested starting to brainstorm one month early. Before beginning this discussion, staff reminded BPAC members that new members will be appointed for the July 2008 meeting. So no decisions should be made until those members have a chance to participate. The following ideas were suggested for priorities. Each BPAC members was given three votes to cast for any items. Votes could be cast for three different items or combined in any way. Total votes are listed next to ideas.

- 5 - Review Arterial Street Trees Standards
- 5 - Review all Paving Projects before Implementation
- 3 - Implement More Crosstown Numbered Bikeways
- 3 - Improve Airport Bike/Ped Accommodation
- 2 - Close Bikeway Gaps
- 2 - Increase Bike/Ped Program Staff
- 2 – Increase/Improve Public Education Programs for safe bicycling and walking
- 2 – Improve incorporation of bike/ped accommodation in new developments
- 1 - Improve Bike/Ped Access to Retail
- 1 – Increase Trail access and connectivity
- 1 – Improve Bike Lane maintenance
- 1 – Develop Public/Private Partnerships
- 1 – Improve media coverage of bike/ped issues
- 1 – Increase bike access on public transportation
- 0 – Develop a pedestrian advocacy organization
- 0 - Develop current solutions to future gas price increases
- 0 – Develop humorous, eclectic grass-roots/gorilla media to encourage bicycling/walking
- 0 - Improve Safety at “Most Dangerous” Intersections
- 0 – Develop docent-led walks

- 7. Staff Report** – This week, the City of San José will run ads in local papers seeking applications for appointment to BPAC. BPAC appointments and officer terms follow the city fiscal year from July 1 to June 30. Members may serve up to three consecutive full terms and an unlimited number of non-consecutive terms. Six seats expire in even years and five in odd years. Here is the status of the six seats expiring June 30, 2008: (1) vacant; (1) occupied by Member Parker who, due to increased work responsibilities, will not seek reappointment; (1) occupied by Member Payne who is eligible for and will seek reappointment; (1) occupied by Member Bell who is eligible for and will seek reappointment;

(1) occupied by Member Halem who is eligible for and will seek reappointment; and (1) occupied by Member Winter who will inform staff of her intentions in the next week. Two to three seats will be vacant. Staff will evaluate applications and make a recommendation for appointments by the Director of Transportation. New members should be appointed by the next BPAC meeting on July 7, 2008.

Caltrain will host a Bike Master Plan public meeting at 6pm, Monday June 16, 2008 at Mountain View City Hall, Plaza Conference Room, 500 Castro Street.

Staff distributed two photos from a June 8, 2008 informal walking tour of the Airport area, organized and attended by several BPAC members.

Next month's BPAC agenda will include the following items: (1) Introduction of new BPAC members; (2) a staff report on coordination of Pavement Maintenance, 4-3 Lane Conversions, and Bike Lane projects; (3) a staff report on city policies for medians and crosswalks; and (4) BPAC Priorities for FY08-09.

8. Committee Member Comments – None.

9. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Next Meeting Date: Tentatively Scheduled for July 7, 2008.